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Title of the Invention:

TUBING USED FOR ENCASING FOOD PRODUCTS AND A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE TUBING

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action of December 5, 2001, the period of which was reset to run from January 24, 2002, the date that Applicants received the Office Action. A request for Continued Prosecution Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) based on the prior non-provisional application in which said Office Action issued is being filed concurrently herewith.

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Kindly amend claim 13 as shown below.

A marked-up copy of the original text of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment. Material inserted is indicated by underlining (<u>insertion</u>) and material deleted is indicated by brackets ([brackets]).